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Out-of-state tuition lawsuit awaiting its sentence

Students' attorney optimistic about suit's outcome

Courtney Lowery
Montana Kaimin

Almost 20 Montana university students are waiting to see if they'll be reimbursed for the out-of-state tuition they paid as the class action lawsuit they filed last fall continues to mosey through the court system.

Bryce Floch, a second-year law stu-

dent, is one of the students who believes he has been taken for an overpriced ride by the Montana University System.

He moved to Missoula to go to law school in 1998 and considers himself a resident. Because he has to take nine credits a semester to stay in law school, however, he can't get residency.

"It's kind of a double-edged sword, because there's no possible way that I can reach maximum credit requirements," he said. "I wouldn't even be allowed to enroll with less than nine credits."

Two actions are pending in the suit. The University System has moved to

dismiss the suit on what the University System's attorney, Leroy Schramm, called, "judiciary" ineptness.

"Many of the arguments they are bringing up, the courts don't have jurisdiction over," Schramm said.

Schramm said state courts don't have the power to change university power or give money back to students.

All debates on the University System's motion to dismiss are closed and the courts are expected to decide whether the case will go to the next level in the next two or three months.

The students' attorneys have also

moved to have the case certified as a class action suit. In a class action suit, two or three plaintiffs represent an entire group, or class, of people. The decision on certification is still pending.

Alan Blakely, a Missoula attorney representing the students, said he is confident that if the suit goes to the next level, his clients will win. He said the motion to dismiss was just a vehicle for the state to have more time.

"It appears to me what the state is doing is they know they are going to lose, so they are just buying time,"

See **LAWSUIT**, page 8

Snowmobile madness



Jeremy Lurgio/Kaimin

Snowmobile racers chase down the leader in the pro circuit snocross race at Seeley Lake's winter festival Sunday afternoon.

UM snags new volleyball coach

Nikki Best comes to Montana after a successful stint in Nebraska

Casey Temple
Montana Kaimin

Nikki Best has Montana on her mind.

The top assistant for a very successful Nebraska volleyball program announced that she is coming to Big Sky country as the head UM volleyball coach because she believes that the program has the ability to become competitive, not only in the Big Sky Conference, but nationally.

And because of the beauty of the state.

When asked if the aesthetics of the area had any effect on her decision to come to Missoula, Best responded, "Doesn't it for everyone?"

Despite other head coaching offers from across the country, Best chose UM because it was "the best choice" for her.

"There are many reasons why I chose to take this job," Best said from her home in Lincoln, Neb. "The school itself has an excellent tradition and to recruit to a school that has that national recognition is a plus. The Athletics Department has made a concentrated effort to the student athlete to have a very positive collegiate experience. And there's a lot of potential for the volleyball team to have a very successful future."

As a Nebraska assistant the past four years, the Cornhuskers went 116-20, won three Big 12 titles and advanced to the NCAA Sweet 16 four times, twice reaching

the Final Four. And Best thinks there is no reason the Griz can't compete on a national level.

"I'm excited to begin work and excited to get (the players) on the court and prepare them for next fall," she said. "I ultimately want to have a team that competes for the conference championship every year and at a national level."

UM Athletics Director Wayne Hogan couldn't be more excited about the new coach.

"We're extremely lucky to get someone of her caliber," Hogan said. "She comes from one of the best programs in the country and is responsible for building the Nebraska program."

"She had the opportunity to take a couple of other prestigious jobs from across the country and selected Montana."

As a standout setter at Nebraska, Best was the 1993 Big Eight Player of the Year and ranks eighth in career assists with 3,786. After her playing career in Lincoln, Best served two years as head coach at South Dakota School of Mines and Technology, leading them to a 53-33 record.

Nikki's husband Dave was an assistant at Nebraska as well and will be joining her in the move to Missoula.

Both Hogan and Best acknowledged that Montana law prohibits husband and wife to be on the same coaching staff, but would not comment further on the situation.



Nikki Best

Tuition bill may get easier to read

Jim Wilkson
Montana Kaimin

Full-time students shocked at the almost \$500 in fees they find tacked on to their tuition every semester may find respite if the Board of Regents approve a proposal to add many student fees to the overall tuition.

People who support the proposal say it would more realistically present how much a student pays to attend college.

The focus of the proposal is on individual course fees, not the sixteen or so mandatory fees full-time students pay every semester, according to Administration and Finance Associate Vice President Rosie Keller, who is on the state task force that is making recommendations on the proposal.

"Is there any way to collapse those mandatory fees?" Keller said. "It's highly unlikely."

Keller said that the manda-

tory student fees, such as the athletics fee or the computer technology fee, cannot be dissolved in favor of higher tuition.

"Some of these are special purpose fees, and many are pledged to the repayment of bonds," Keller said.

"Mandatory fees are earmarked for campuswide activities," said UM Associate Provost Fritz Schwaller. "There are obligations on these where the university has to repay bonds, and the way to repay bonds is through these student fees. We have to specifically identify where the money to repay bonds will come from, which is the fee."

Mandatory student fees account for roughly one-third of an undergraduate student's tuition bill, with an average junior or senior paying about \$460 in fees each semester. This doesn't include any specific course fees, which Keller said is the real

focus of the regents' proposal.

"It (the proposal) only applies to course fees," Keller said. "They want to determine if (course fees) are the best way to handle (paying for a class)."

A course fee is a fee tacked on to a specific class, like a geology class that has a mandatory field trip, which normal credit tuition doesn't cover.

Jim Taylor, business services director, said that these fees present a problem when students get their tuition bill and find several course fees tacked on.

"If a student signs up for six courses that all have a fee, the bill will be substantially higher than the published tuition and fees show," Taylor said.

Course fees can range anywhere from \$30 for students enrolled in health and human performance table tennis classes to several hundred dollars for outdoor program classes.

OPINION

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Lady Griz Basketball

Lady Griz — Might as well bring out the skirts

The female members of the Kaimin staff have chosen to refer to ourselves as the Lady Kaiminites. We ask that female students dub themselves the Lady Learners, female professors band together as the Lady Teachers and female staff members call themselves the Lady Typists, Sweepers or Office Assistants.

It's the only way anyone on campus will know that we're women.

It would help if each matronly society on campus could design an appropriately feminine logo to display on stationery, apparel, coffee mugs and other highly marketable goods.

Remember, easy identification is the key to victory. What if the press and public get us all confused with those ruffian students, professors and staffers? Design something in cur-sive, with lots of curlicues and pretty swooshes. Better yet, if your new team name includes the letter "i", dot that sucker with a heart.

We're women. We're cute. Let's make sure everyone knows it.

It has come to the attention of several Lady Kaiminites that the hardworking women's basketball and volleyball squads, who continually garner both academic and athletic honors, are still saddled with the silly and outdated moniker the Lady Griz.

Who comes up with this crap, and what is the justification behind the name?

We all know sports fans don't deserve a blanket reputation for being too stupid to know any better. The only rationale for the gender distinction is that our school thinks its sports fans are too busy following the ball to notice what the person dribbling or spiking it looks like.

Year after year, our female athletes excel. This year, the soccer team earned its first-ever bid to the NCAA tournament. The basketball team's coach, Robin Selvig, secured his 500th win and remains the fourth-winningest coach in NCAA history. The volleyball team took home the Montana Athletic Director's Award for the UM team with the highest GPA.

Not bad for a bunch of women.

Referring to our women's basketball and volleyball teams as the Lady Griz implies that they are in some way inferior to the Griz.

The athletic department should ditch the name at least in the spirit of healthy competition, since our cross-state rivals, the Cats, dropped the Lady tag this season.

Women athletes have earned the fans' respect. When will they earn UM's?

—Paige Parker

Guest Column

Studying abroad enriches college experience

Column by
Mark Lusk

The number of American students who are studying outside of the United States has increased significantly. The Institute of International Education has announced a 15 percent increase in U.S. students studying abroad for the past academic year. During the previous year, study abroad was up to 11 percent. Currently, about 114,000 American college students are studying overseas. After a period in which study abroad numbers were on a plateau, the past two years mark significant progress in the internationalization of American higher education.

Incoming foreign student numbers are even more impressive. During the past academic year, fully 491,000 foreign students attended American colleges and universities.

The international exchange of students has a profoundly positive effect upon American higher education. On the one hand, foreign students enrich our campuses by bringing with them new ideas, languages, and cultures that diversify the intellectual life of our campuses. We have 400 foreign students at the University of Montana from 72 different countries. Our classrooms are improved by the quality and breadth of discussion that occurs in a campus that is home to so many peoples and cultures.

Similarly, when our students go abroad as part of an academic exchange or on a short-term study abroad, they become deeply exposed to the vernacular and culture of a different society, thereby gaining new cultural and linguistic competencies. Such students learn new perspectives in their field of study and gain an important advantage for success as a new professional in a global society. At the same time, they

expose other countries to our best and brightest young people, thereby dispelling the many stereotypes and common misconceptions about Americans.

No American university today can be effective in carrying out its mission in isolation from higher education worldwide. The globalization of the economy and the information revolution have transformed the way in which people practice their professions. College graduates today must be far more culturally proficient and linguistically adept than their predecessors if they are to be competitive and successful in their field. Thus, the American university

is increasingly called upon to serve its students and constituents by accepting the challenge of globalization.

This means that each field of study should explicitly dedicate itself to becoming more grounded in an international context. From fine arts to political science, the academic unit must be prepared to fully incorporate the vast literature and creative work of nations other than our own. It means that American students

should learn a second language, not only for navigating the many subcultures of our own society, but also for engaging their peers abroad. It also means that colleges should assure that students have acquired the skills necessary to work effectively with people who are very different from themselves.

The globalized campus and curriculum recruits a faculty that is internationally diverse and multilingual. It entails course requirements that expose all students to cultures and languages not their own. It encompasses campus leadership that extends the campus' reach beyond the local and national level to partnerships and enterprises worldwide. Finally, study abroad is central to the development of an international university such as ours.

Mark Lusk is the Assistant Vice President for Research and International Programs

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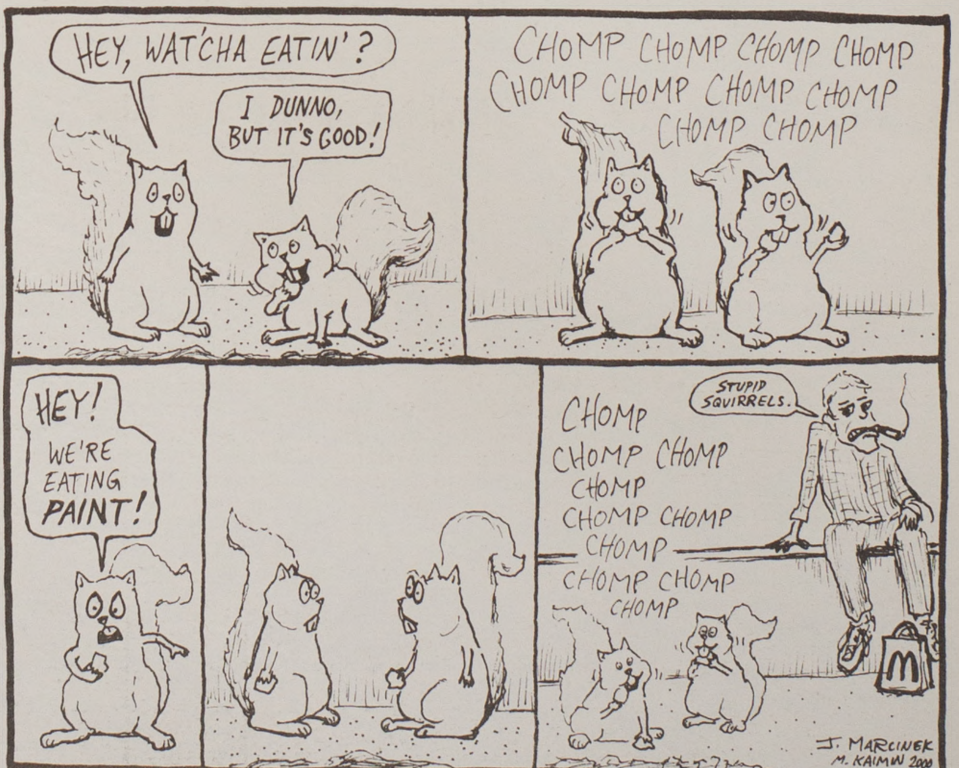
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Letters to the Editor

Mayor's actions are visibly in his interest

Missoula residents should commend Ross Best for instigating the conflict of interest complaint against Mayor Mike Kadas. I would encourage the

county attorney to expand the probe to include conspiracy, fraud and influence peddling among the mayor's office, Play Ball Missoula, Missoula Redevelopment Agency and individuals at the Center for the Rocky Mountain West. Sorry mayor, your inten-

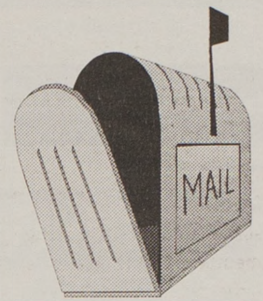
tions are so transparent that your fog of lies about the benefits this project brings to Missoula are pernicious rubbish. This sordid affair is a classic case of political scoundrelism and corporate welfare. If committing millions of dollars from the public coffers helps construct this project and really is "good for Missoula," then hold a referendum and let the citizens decide the matter not a cabal of back room political hustlers.

Every Missoulain hit with a SID for sidewalks, street repair, sewers, or storm drain projects should be incensed by the mayor's grand give away of potential prime riparian park-

land and millions of dollars of free infrastructure to a for-profit corporation which has virtually no resources. To add insult to injury, when constructed ownership of the stadium will be turned over to the city - in effect taking a multi-million dollar facility off the tax rolls and burdening city residents with the liability of insuring a stadium located on the floodplain.

And so Mayor Kadas, I find your good-for-Missoula contention false, and as Gandhi remarked during India's struggle for independence, "In the end deceivers deceive only themselves."

Bill Bakeberg



Language in paper not fit for printing

When I looked at the Kaimin newspaper on Thursday, Jan. 27, I became very upset over the word mentioned in "Heroes and Zeros" under the "playaz" quote, "that bitch Pat Summit."

In my opinion this is derogatory language, showing no respect for women and completely out of bounds.

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With students' help Josh Slotnick brings P.E.A.S. to a safe fruition.

time learning about how we are hurting the planet environmentally. Many of them see this class as a way to do something about it, to get their hands dirty," Slotnick said.

Nicole Jarvis, a P.E.A.S. student for the last two semesters, agreed.

"I grew up in Atlanta, in suburbia, and never had the chance to do anything like this. This class changed the way that I look at what I use and the way that I live."

Jarvis plans to join the Peace Corps, a decision due in large part to the things she is learning in class.

The students are not the only ones whose lives will benefit from the survival of the class. Missoula's hungry get a hand as well.

"Almost all of the fresh vegetables that we get are from the program," Bonnie Buckingham, administrative assistant at the Missoula Food Bank said.

The Missoula Food Bank supplied over 9,000 people with food last year, 45 percent of whom were under the age of 18.

Low-income families also benefit from the purchase of community supported agriculture shares from the farm. Shares are bought at the start of the season on a sliding price scale determined by income. Share owners come to the P.E.A.S. farm at Fort Missoula once a week during harvest to get their vegetables.

This gives share buyers organic produce at a fraction of the cost. According to Slotnick, more than 80 families were served by this program last year, two-thirds of which were at or below the poverty line.

Slotnick says that the program's financial troubles are a thing of the past.

"The way things are set up now, as long as there is student interest in the class, there will be a class. I like it much better this way."

Overwhelming attendance secures the program's future, founder says

Jacob Hepner
for the Kaimin

Call it the little class that could.

As a part of last semester's budget cuts, UM's P.E.A.S. program, a major food contributor to needy families in Missoula, went on the chopping block.

P.E.A.S., Program in Ecological Agriculture and Society, combines classroom work with hands-on field work at a UM-owned farm.

Last year P.E.A.S.' 13,000 pound vegetable donation topped all others at the Missoula Food Bank.

Funding for P.E.A.S. was cut in October when UM's budget was \$2.5 million short. Emergency funding through the College of Arts and Sciences was needed. The future of the program was in doubt.

"I was worried," said Josh Slotnick, the founder and instructor of the three-credit course. "Now I am beside myself with joy."

Salvation finally came through the Department of Continuing Education. The program would be saved only if enough students signed up. Enter motivated students.

"The great thing about the way that this class was saved was that it was done democratically," Slotnick said. "The students demanded it."

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Project Vote Smart fails to join UM ranks

Programs gives free info to voters from local office

Melissa Baluka
for the Kaimin

A national voter information organization may have found air-time on MTV and The Rosie O'Donnell Show, but it can't find a home at UM.

The non-profit Project Vote Smart recently relocated its headquarters to Philipsburg and wanted to add an office at UM, but the organization was unable to reach an agreement with the university.

The group wanted the university to provide office space, computers and student interns gather data on nearly 13,000 politicians.

"They wanted us for grunt work," said Carol Van Valkenburg, a professor at the journalism school who was acting dean at the time the organization made its request. "It was hard for us to see what we were going to get in return."

Van Valkenburg said the organization mostly just wanted bodies.

"Project Vote Smart is a good organization, but it didn't fit our standards," she said.

Mike Laslovich, an associate political science professor, said he wanted to bring Project Vote Smart on board but knew the university couldn't meet its demands.

"The concern we had was that we couldn't provide the number of interns they requested," Laslovich said.



Amy Layne/Kaimin

Bethany Gurriel answers phonecalls at the Project Vote Smart headquarters in Moose Lake. Project Vote Smart offers non-biased information on local and national political candidates.

"They wanted 100 interns."

However, Project Vote Smart, formerly affiliated with Oregon State University, recently decided to expand to Washington State University instead.

Richard Kimball, Project Vote Smart director, said the group sought the UM connection because organizers thought the university would be more receptive.

But Project Vote Smart still wants UM students as interns.

"UM students are highly prized and sought after

here," Information Director Adelaide Elm said.

Elm said students can apply for 10-week scholarships that pays for room and board.

Project Vote Smart is also hiring full-time employees to work through the 2000 election at their headquarters, the Great Divide Ranch, 30 miles southeast of Philipsburg.

Project Vote Smart began in 1991 in Tucson, Ariz. after some local citizens and politicians decided voters

didn't have easy access to good candidate information.

"I hated getting to the polls, seeing the names and not knowing much about the candidates — just what their T.V. commercials said about them," Elm said.

Project Vote Smart moved to Oregon State University in Corvallis, Ore. in 1992 and went to a national level.

Soon, Project Vote Smart grew beyond its facilities.

They opened another phone bank in Boston at Northeastern University in 1994 and moved to Philipsburg in 1999.

The group recently revamped its web site. It now features a section aimed at 18- to 25-year olds and includes games and trivia.

"It's a lot more jazzy and hip," Elm said.

The revamped site made its debut Tuesday reaching a record number of 250,000 hits before noon.

The web site can be

viewed at www.vote-smart.org. People can also find information by calling Project Vote Smart's toll-free hot line,

1-888-VOTE-SMART (888-868-3762).

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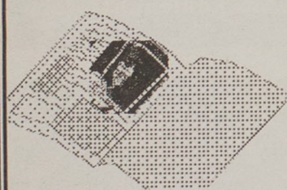
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Preserve wilderness that is Montana

Wildlife biologist speaks to unite students in environmental causes

Jennifer Sauer
for the Kaimin

Environmental activists must band together to save the "Serengeti" of North America that is Montana, said a longtime wildlife agency worker Tuesday night.

Stewart Brandborg, UM alumnus and retired wildlife biologist, told about 100 students from environmental studies they must band together to save the remaining wilderness and to protect the roadless areas of wilderness that remain.

"We're so fortunate. Some people say that we are the Serengeti of North America. But there's no place in the world that has what we have here — the grizzly, the wolf, the coyote, the elk," Brandborg said.

Brandborg urged students to organize the people in the community interested in preserving wilderness areas and work with them to make a difference.

"Most people have a concerning need to do something good for the world. We've got to work with people. This ain't easy. This is a time of massive intimidation," Brandborg said. "We need spirited people to save the day."

"This has been a bleak time

we're coming out of," Brandborg said referring to anti-environmentalists in Congress.

"We have agencies that must serve us," Brandborg said. "Be sure you recognize the good people in the agencies. It is this circle of good wilderness advocates in the agencies you always want to remember."

But, he said wilderness agencies have gone amok in how they are taking care of areas in the wilderness system.

"They're letting motorboats and airplanes and outfitter facilities in the Salmon River. They are allowing things that shouldn't be allowed within the requirements of the wilderness laws," he said.

"We have high aspirations," Brandborg said of saving the roadless areas. "Our goals are grand. We are adopting a strong advocacy."

Charges in theft case may happen soon

Nate Schweber
Montana Kaimin

After two years of waiting, allegations against the former UM director of Laboratory Animal Resources will likely make their way to a prosecutor this week, Montana's Criminal Investigation Division reports.

"We were waiting for audit reports from UM," said Arlyn Greydanus, investigative chief for Montana's Criminal Investigation Division. "It's taken the university some time to get us the information we need for this case."

Philip Bowman last made headlines when he was charged with stealing drugs from UM's Laboratory Animal Resources in early 1998, including Buprinex, a prescription painkiller. When allegations of theft and misconduct in the lab arose, Bowman resigned from UM after 11 years of service and refused to discuss the matter. Bowman's girlfriend, Kathryn Scarboro, who worked for Bowman in the animal research lab, also resigned. In 1987 Bowman was convicted in Missoula of fraudulently obtaining prescription painkillers, a felony.

Greydanus said he'll take UM's report on Bowman's case to a prosecutor within the week.

Greydanus added that he doesn't know how long it will take the prosecutor to either press charges or dismiss the case.

"Criminal cases often take a lot of time," Greydanus said.

Kathy Burgmeier, UM's director of internal auditing, said the CID asked them to not only give them an audit, but to also do a little research for them.

Burgmeier said all the information was compiled, save a few minor details, by autumn 1998. Since then, Burgmeier said internal auditing has been busy doing other things and didn't have much time to complete the Bowman report.

"Sometimes we have, frankly, different priorities," Burgmeier said. "Yes, this is an unusually long time for a report, but it isn't our normal focus of work either."

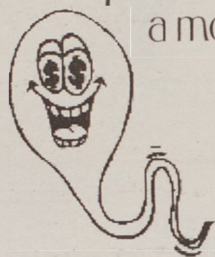
Burgmeier said the contents of the report are confidential.

County attorney Fred Van Valkenburg said the length of time that a case is investigated varies.

"It all depends on the facts of the case," Van Valkenburg said. "Most cases probably get investigated within a month, but it all depends."

Van Valkenburg added that prosecution, the next step in the Bowman case, usually takes six months.

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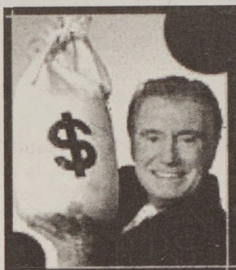
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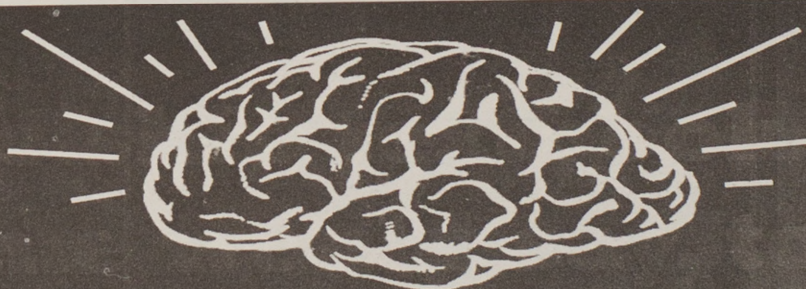
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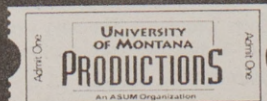
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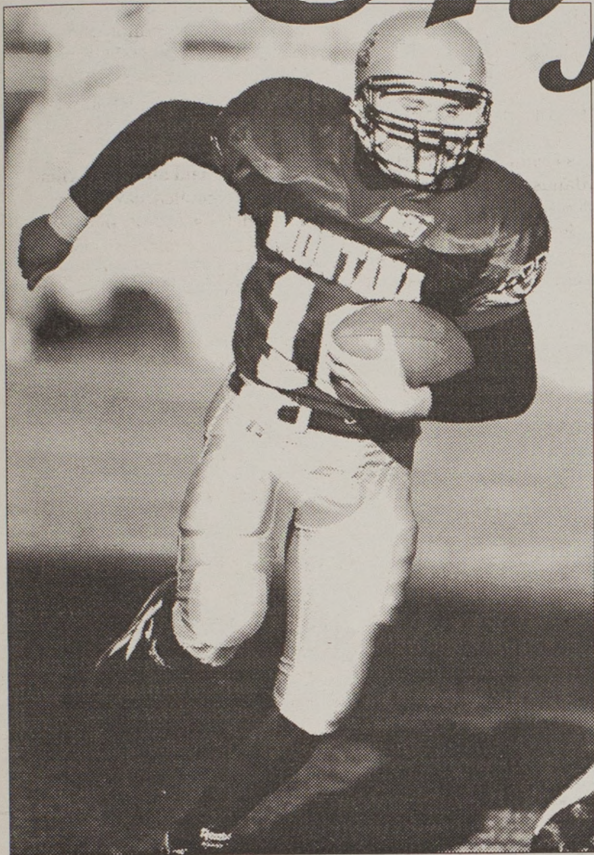
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Unfulfilled dreams



It all happened unexpectedly, so suddenly. There was no way he could have predicted this would happen to him.

When a car pulled out in front of Sean Davis on a warm, starry night in late July of 1995, he knew he was in trouble. It was around 11:30 p.m. when Davis dropped off a friend after a movie and saw a car that looked like a "big 'ol boat" beginning to pull out onto the main road. An old, decrepit camper sat on the corner, blinding Davis from the driver. Reacting like he would on the field, Davis quickly swerved to avoid the collision, but was met by a lamp post. Davis maneuvered his black '89 Wrangler Jeep again, this time driving into a hill as the vehicle flew into the air, flipping end over end.

Davis was not wearing a seatbelt, and so the best high school quarterback in the country, the man who was supposed to write the next chapter in the on-going classic novel that was Grizzly football, soared through the air more than a 100 feet away into a damp, deserted field. As he lay there among pieces of his jeep, chirping crickets and blood splattered all over his black Fugazi T-shirt, Davis wondered if he'd ever

play football again. At the hospital, he barely heard his diagnosis: a ruptured spleen, a broken wrist, a bruised heart and lung and a laceration on his butt that prevented him from taking a crap for two weeks.

Then he began to really worry.

Would he ever throw another touchdown pass in his life? Were his dreams of being a star collegiate quarterback gone?

Sean Davis did play football again. He played for the Grizzlies. He did throw another touchdown. But being a star quarterback — that's a different story.

It's been exactly a year now since Davis' football career at Montana ended so abruptly. So

quickly, it seems, he went from high school phenom to UM backup to semipro hopeful. Filled with injuries, accidents and unlucky situations, Davis is the first to admit things haven't turned out like he had hoped. He says he has few regrets and is confident he can still fulfill his dreams of becoming a big-time quarterback someday.

Davis started his football career in glorious fashion. In the fall of 1992, Davis entered his first game for Bear Creek High down 21-0 against the top ranked team in Colorado. Throwing for almost 300 yards,

Davis, a wide-eyed freshman, lead his team to a 29-27 comeback and a star was born.

"That freshman year I started thinking I could play somewhere big," Davis says. Soon the intrepid Davis was hit with a barrage of letters from collegiate powerhouses such as Notre Dame and Nebraska.

That winter, Davis tore the anterior cruciate ligament in his left knee in a skiing accident. But after some rest and three months of rehab, Davis was back and played in every game that next season.

The following summer the car accident occurred. Plagued by sore ribs and a broken wrist from the accident, Davis didn't practice most of the year, but still played in games. Davis put up huge numbers and led his team to the 5-A semi-finals.

When his much anticipated senior season arrived, Davis was healthy and ready to go. But due to a lack of senior leadership, Bear Creek went 5-5. But the 6-foot, 200 pound quarterback still managed to throw for 2,600 yards.

"Oh he had the numbers, he certainly had the numbers," says UM football coach Joe Glenn, who at the time was at Northern Colorado University.

And Davis definitely did have the numbers. Davis finished his career with 9,780 passing yards, the most in Colorado history and fourth all-time of any high school quarterback. He completed 701 passes and was even known as a dangerous running threat. He was named an All-American in magazines such as Athlon and The Sporting News, along with being a four-time all-state selection.

Davis would take trips to Kansas, Washington, Southern Methodist and Utah State before deciding UM was the place he would be. He dreamt of shattering passing records and leading UM to another national championship.

"Sean had all the right stuff," said Griz wide receiver coach Bill Cockhill. "He had a good physical look to him and you couple it with what he did on film, he looked very good."

Davis arrived, heralded as the next Dave Dickenson — a borderline blasphemous statement — but with the tools to make everyone believers.

"I really don't pay attention

to all that stuff," Davis says. "It kind of goes in one ear and out the other."

He didn't look like a savior. He arrived an average-sized, blond-haired kid, sporting a backwards hat, a tough upper lip and a love for punk bands like Pennywise and the Dead Kennedys. This kid was no Payton Manning.

"I didn't think he was a quarterback," says friend and UM teammate Ben Drinkwalter of their first meeting. "He wore baggy clothes and he was real quiet."

Montana's quarterback job looked as unstable as a third-world government. Yet Davis didn't compete for the starting spot he says he was promised. He sat. He watched Brian Ah Yat throw more than 40 touchdowns and nearly win the Walter Payton Award, given to the best 1-AA player in the country.

"When (Ah Yat) got all those awards, I knew there was no way they would sit him down the next year," Davis says.

He would get a chance, he told himself, that next spring. Prove he could play with anyone, just like in high school. But a bum wrist he broke snowboarding quashed that dream. Quietly, Davis didn't tell anybody about the injury. He wanted to compete, and as a result, things got worse.

"I didn't want to sit out," Davis says. "If I had to do it over I would have been on better talking terms with (the coaching staff)."

Davis would go through another long year of sitting on the bench, but in 1997, Ah Yat went down with a back injury and Davis finally had a

chance to prove himself. Just like he had in his first high school game, Davis lead a game-winning drive with an eight yard pass to Jeremy Watkins to beat Portland State 20-17. Davis finished the game 28 of 47 with 297 yards.

It would be his brightest moment.

After the season, Drew

Miller, a talented quarterback from BYU, transferred to UM to "add competition" to the vacant quarterback position and Davis decided to bolt for another program.

"Pretty soon he just gave up," former roommate and teammate Tyler Martin says. "He got real sullen and quiet. I think he just got tired of football."

Said Cockhill, "He was coming along at a decent rate. But just like any other job, the job is open until somebody wins it. When a kid graduates it doesn't mean the next guy in

line has it for sure."

Davis headed south for Weatherford, Okla., where his grandmother lives, and decided to walk-on at Southwestern Oklahoma, a Division-II school. Davis would only see action in two games where he completed four of six passes for 121 yards and two touchdowns. Davis, who called the move a "big mistake," couldn't adjust to life in the Bible Belt and moved back to Denver.

Davis' football career isn't over yet. He is trying out for a local semipro team while taking classes at University of Colorado at Denver. It's his last shot to football glory.

"I think football is what I like to do," Davis says. "But it's not everything to me. Montana and stuff like that is disappointing, but I think it all pretty much happens for a reason."

Davis, who has gotten back together with his high school sweetheart, says he has a renewed spirit about his future. He plans on finishing a degree in computer information systems and obtaining an internship if football doesn't work out.

There are lessons to be learned here, but none of them are clear. For each Kurt Warner, there are five Sean Davises. The greatest high school passer Colorado ever saw, the man who was supposed to have his name stamped on every record book at Montana, simply, for whatever reason, came up short.

"He did what was asked of him, but he probably could have done more," Drinkwalter says.

Davis' dream is still alive. He is still fighting. There are still dreams of touchdowns and comeback wins.

There's no way he can predict what will happen, he says. That's just football.

That's just life.

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Lawsuit

Blakely said.

However, Schramm said if the state is not awarded the dismissal, the suit stands no chance when the actual out-of-state tuition policies are brought to the court.

"What the question really comes down to is whether or not the policy infringes on anyone's constitutional rights," Schramm said. "We think that it is a reasonable provision and passes constitutional muster."

Juanita Latterell, a 1997 graduate of Montana Tech in Butte is another one of the students involved in the suit. She

RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS

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said her rights were trampled on when she had to pay out-of-state tuition.

Latterell was a legal resident of Montana for 11 years before moving to Minnesota to study engineering. In 1995, she decided to transfer back to Montana, pack up her six-year-old daughter and finish her degree at Montana Tech. After one year in Butte, she appealed for in-state tuition, but was denied

4. Student must be registered to vote.

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sible for 51 percent of their own financial support, or approximately \$6,000 during 12 months.

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was misinformed and that the state should have taken into consideration her past as a resident and her intentions to remain in Montana for life.

"It would've been different if I had never seen Montana," Latterell said. "But I paid taxes for 11 years. It wasn't like I got a whim up my butt to move temporarily to go skiing or something."

Latterell's plight is exactly what

Blakely said he is fighting for.

"We're talking mostly about non-traditional students who come here and intend to be here for the rest of their lives," Blakely said. "It's bad for Montana because if we attract intelligent, motivated people, why not keep them here? We bring in top notch students and yet we charge so much and don't let them really feel like they're part of Montana. The question is, do we want all their money in one lump, or do we want good people? Personally, I would much rather have a client around for longer and charge him less than have charge him a huge amount, have him hate me and move away. It is terrible business on the part of the state."

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